

**NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**February 12, 2024**

7:36 p.m.

**High School Gymnasium**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Smith	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Gilgallon	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Dorsett	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Higgins	<u>Present</u>
Mr. McDermott	<u>Present</u>
Student Board Member	<u>Absent</u>

**III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**IV. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

This Public Meeting of February 12, 2024 of the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, is called pursuant to a schedule of meetings adopted on January 4, 2024 and of notice given to the Clerk of the Borough of North Arlington and to the Librarian of the Free Public Library of North Arlington for posting therein as election notices are posted and of notice given to the Editors of the following newspaper: the Bergen RECORD of Hackensack and the Newark STAR LEDGER.

**V. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Superintendent's Statement**

This meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing any subject matter that is pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the North Arlington Public School District. Residents wishing to speak on such items are required to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Pursuant to Board Bylaw 0167, Public Participation in Board Meetings, comments are limited to 5 minutes duration.

The Board may (or may not) respond to issues raised by members of the public at the time they are raised, but will provide a response if and when appropriate. However, the Board cannot directly respond to the issues regarding personnel, in order to protect the privacy rights of the individual.

Please be advised that there is no privilege or qualified privilege with regard to any statements that you make before the Board. What this means is that while you are certainly free to exercise your right to comment on issues before the Board, such comments are considered public statements, and may be responded to or acted upon by any individuals affected by them. The Board will, of course, consider your comments as they relate to its obligations to effectively govern the North Arlington School District, but cannot offer protection from any action that a third-party may elect to pursue as a result of any statements offered during public session.

**VI. MINUTES**

The following Minutes have been given to the Board for approval:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Work Session of January 22, 2024.

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- B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of January 22, 2024, as amended.
- C. Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of January 22, 2024.

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On Roll Call Mrs. Higgins abstained from voting, all other Board Members present voted in the affirmative, and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

### VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Citizens wishing to be heard:

Scott Hughes – 8 Hoover Street, N.A. – Mr. Hughes asked why the Board Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. each month and why the Back to School Nights were held at 6:00 p.m. He asked if it was possible that the district wanted the families in attendance. He asked the district to have the same courtesy for student athletes, their families and spectators. He said that parents want to attend but cannot be there at the early start time of 4:00 p.m. for sports events.

The Superintendent said that he and Mr. Hughes have had conversations in the past. He had previously told Mr. Hughes that if he has questions related to the school district to please email him and not immediately go on Facebook and post his concerns. He said that any sports-related questions should be directed to the Athletic Director, the Principal, or him, not posted on social media. Mr. Hughes asked the Board to please be more considerate of the residents, families and athletes. The Superintendent explained that there were specific reasons the event in question was held on the date and time and that the Athletic Director would be happy to provide him with a detailed explanation.

Sandra Santos – 6 First Street, N.A. – Mrs. Santos said that she agreed with Mr. Hughes. She said that she had to take off from work a half day so that she could be at her daughter's volleyball game. She said that she has been in the district for eight years and that nothing has changed. The Superintendent asked what she meant. Mrs. Santos said that it's the same story all the time. She said that the senior dance was at the same time as a volleyball game and that some students missed the dance that night. The Superintendent said that he would ask the Athletic Director to send her a detailed email as well. Ms. Santos asked why questions can't be answered now instead of emails the next day. The Superintendent stated that he did not want to misspeak or leave out any important details. He also stated that Mr. Aronowitz spoke to her daughter about this topic previously.

Mr. McDermott said that there are other things that tie into these events, be it legal, referee times, student choices, coach choices; many moving parts. He said that we have over 2100 students in the North Arlington School District and that we do the best that we can to please everyone. He said that some will not be satisfied. He stated that he had twin daughters in sports, and he had to take off personal time to attend events. Mr. McDermott said that social media is not running the district. He said that if people have complaints and want to be heard, they should come to a meeting.

The Superintendent praised the Athletic Director for doing a great job and appreciated all the work he has done.

Mr. Dorsett said that the parents can email the Board with questions or issues they have. The Superintendent stated that it is not necessary to do that and any concerned community members should contact the administration. In the case of a basketball game being scheduled at 4:00 p.m., the Superintendent stressed that "zero" people contacted the administration regarding this and if someone did, they would have received a response as to the reasoning behind the time.

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Maureen Burnell – 9 Webster Street, N.A. – Ms. Burnell said that she is the head of the athletic booster club and is at most of the games. She stated that she does not agree with what is said on Facebook since most of the stuff is negative. Ms. Burnell she said she is not here for a debate, but stated that there are parents fighting outside the games and people say the games are all about the kids, but are they really? She wanted to thank the Athletic Director for all that he does and also everyone else for the good job that they're doing.

Robert Kairys – 214 Ridge Road, N.A. – Mr. Kairys said that he had a senior in High School. He said that these special events are not just thrown at parents last minute. He said that the students and parents are well aware of the dates and times of the events. He said that all the games are scheduled beforehand. He said that he is thankful for what everyone does and is proud to be a Viking!

Scott Hughes stated that on Sunday before the event the senior athletes did not know that the game would start at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Dorsett congratulated the boys basketball team and announced that before Coach Jimenez came here two years ago the team did not have a winning season since 2013 or 2014. He said that in the next week or so the boys basketball team will have their first home playoff game in a decade.

Motion to close the Hearing of Citizens made by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

### **PERSONNEL**

#### **A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year:

**Allison Altilio**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

**Inez Marques Caetano**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

**Sonia DeVega**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

**Michelle Fandetta**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

**Gianna Gugliuzza**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

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**Anhel Perez**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork*.

**Emma Stagg**, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through June 30, 2024 not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork*.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

### **B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Substitute Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year:

**Soha Anwar**, as a long-term Substitute Teacher at Veterans Middle School (new position) at the per diem rate of \$140.00 retroactively beginning on or about February 13, 2024 through April 12, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

### **C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following certificated staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year:

**Emily Reitter**, full-time **School Counselor** (new position) at Roosevelt Elementary for the period beginning on or about February 14, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at Step 1, MA on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$57,650.00 (pro-rated).

**Francine Del Vecchio**, full-time **Reading Specialist** (replacing Jessica Sadej) at Washington Elementary School and Jefferson Elementary School for the period beginning on or about March 28, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at Step 13, MA+60 on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$80,550.00 (pro-rated), *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork*.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of the certificated staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

### **D. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A RESIGNATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education accept the following resignation:

**Walter Helmeck**, as a full-time **Night Custodian** at Washington Elementary School, effective on January 30, 2024.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, set forth above.

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**E. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF PARAPROFESSIONALS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the reassignment of the following paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 school year:

**Berta Fernandes**, from part-time **Classroom Aide and Lunch Aide** at Anthony Elementary School to part-time **Special Education Aide** at Anthony Elementary School retroactively effective February 5, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$17.75, without benefits.

**Joanna Lupinski**, from part-time **Special Education Aide** at Anthony Elementary School to part-time **Classroom Aide** at Anthony Elementary retroactively effective February 5, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$15.13, without benefits.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the reassignments of the paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

**F. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SEVENTH PERIOD STIPENDS OF CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS FOR THE 2023- 2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve seventh period stipends of the following certificated staff members at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year:

**William Haines**, Teacher at North Arlington High School, to teach an additional instructional period (seventh period), adding \$16,958.33 (pro-rated) to his base salary for the period retroactively beginning from February 1, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024.

**Valerie Rosen-Williams**, Teacher at North Arlington High School, to teach an additional instructional period (0.5 of seventh period), adding \$7,570.84 (pro-rated) to her base salary for the period retroactively beginning from February 1, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves seventh period stipends of certificated staff members at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year.

**G. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE LONGEVITY INCREMENT OF A TENURED CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBER FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the longevity increment of the following tenured certificated staff member, for the period retroactively beginning January 6, 2024 through June 30, 2024:

Name	Step	Degree Level	Base Salary	Longevity Stipend	Total Salary
Annette Ingannamorte	17	BA	\$86,200.00	\$1,825.00 prorated	\$88,025.00

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the longevity increment of the above tenured certificated staff member, for the period retroactively beginning January 6, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

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### **H. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE, FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") is desirous of assuring professionally responsible coverage in the absence of a school principal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board currently employs individuals that are properly certificated, including a Principal Certificate of Eligibility, to act as a school principal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is desirous of accepting properly certificated teachers volunteers to act as an "teachers in charge" when called upon to fill in for a school principal; and

**WHEREAS**, any volunteers are willing and able to assume professional responsibility for the well-being of the school, staff and students, and handling actions which would ordinarily be directed to the school principal for immediate action, acting at all times in coordination with the superintendent and/or his/her designee, all in the interest of personal and professional growth; and

**WHEREAS**, such volunteers will be referred to as "Teachers-in-Charge," based on the aforementioned criteria; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Superintendent will formulate a list of willing and able volunteers to act as and Teachers-in-Charge, listed below, to be called upon or volunteer their services when a school principal is otherwise unavailable; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent to accept the following properly certificated volunteers to act as and Teachers-in-Charge, when a school principal is otherwise unavailable:

**Teacher-in-Charge**

Kelly Peck

### **I. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of Social Media Coordinators for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

**Nicolette Zamora**, full-time, **Social Media Coordinator (PreK-5, 6-12 & Athletics)** at North Arlington Elementary Schools, Veterans Middle School, North Arlington High School and North Arlington High School Athletics, for the period beginning on or about January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at a stipend of \$2,550.00.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby approves the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the employment of Social Media Coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

### **J. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF COACHES AND VOLUNTEER COACHES AT NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Coaches and Volunteer Coaches at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year:

**GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL COACH**

**Brielle Mattiello**, **Assistant Girls Flag Football Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season, at a stipend of \$1,500.00.

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**Ali-Quan Sessoms, Flag Football Volunteer Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season.

### **GIRLS TRACK**

**Kevin Blackford, Head Girls Track Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season, at a stipend of \$7,642.00.

### **Softball Coach**

**Emma Stagg, Softball Head Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season, at a stipend of \$7,642.00.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of the Coaches and Volunteer Coaches at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. Discussion: Mr. Dorsett said that we hired another full-time school counselor. He said that every school in the district now has a full-time school counselor for the children. He also said that he spoke with one of our school principals who said how helpful it was for the well-being of the children. The Board President agreed. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

### **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

**A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE LIST OF TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WHICH ARE EDUCATIONALLY NECESSARY, FISCALLY PRUDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES, ARE RELATED TO AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROMOTE THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION OR FURTHER THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the attendance of staff members at the following Professional Development Workshops.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title of Workshop</b>	<b>Cost</b>
	Alicia Giammanco	02/09/2024	TG Connors Elementary School	No Cost
	Patrick Bott	02/13/2024	School Security Training	Mileage Cost: \$13.63
	Daniel Farinola	02/26/2024	NJASPERD Annual Convention	Registration Fee: \$169.00 No Cost: \$43.33
	Brian Sofield	03/01/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Tony Romano	03/01/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Chris Morrison	03/01/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Carla Pereira	03/06/2024, 03/13/2024, 03/20/2024 and 03/27/2024	Comprehensive Orton-Gillingham Plus Virtual	Registration Fee: \$1,500.00
	Helena Pessoa	03/06/2024, 03/13/2024, 03/20/2024 and 03/27/2024	Comprehensive Orton-Gillingham Plus Virtual	Registration Fee: \$1,500.00
	Alicya Garrido	03/15/2024	Journey of Inclusion	No Cost

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	Diana Guerreiro	03/20/2024	Conquer Math	Mileage Cost: \$15.98 per round trip
	Samantha Dembowski	03/21/2024	Purchasing	Registration Fee: \$125.00 Mileage Cost: \$22.75
	John Daco	03/29/2024	Enhance Therapy Effectiveness for Auditory Processing Disorder, Memory Deficits, Attention Deficit Disorder, and Language Processing	Registration Fee: \$279.00
	Natalie Wei	04/11/2024	Save Ellis Land	Registration Fee: \$250.00 Mileage Cost: \$3.53
	Lidia Vigna	04/12/2024	Calming an Overacting Brain	Registration Fee: \$89.00 Mileage Cost: \$11.05
	Matthew Katsock	05/17/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Dominic Reo	05/17/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of staff members at Professional Development Workshops.

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

### **OPERATIONS**

#### **A. RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE SUPERINTENDENT’S DECISION IN HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION/BULLYING INVESTIGATIONS.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) hereby affirms the Superintendent’s decision on the following HIB Investigations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent’s decision to the students’ parents, and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board’s decision to the affected students’ parents forthwith. HIB Investigation Numbers:

257403\_VMS\_12222023  
257417\_NAH\_12222023  
257468\_VMS\_01022024  
257569\_NAH\_01032024  
257603\_GWE\_01042024

#### **B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN ANTI-BULLYING SPECIALIST FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the District Anti-Bullying Coordinator and School Anti-Bullying Specialist, for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

Emily Reitter                      Roosevelt Elementary School Anti-Bullying Specialist

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the District Anti-Bullying Coordinator and School Anti-Bullying Specialist, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.



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### **INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM**

#### **A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FIELD TRIPS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve field trips on file in the Superintendent's office.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves field trips on file in the Superintendent's office.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

### **STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY**

The Superintendent congratulated everyone and asked for everyone to stay after the meeting. He stated at that time we will be calling up the teacher of the year one by one and the principals and take pictures with the awards in the cafeteria.

#### **A. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR MANDY NOURAVI.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Mandy Nouravi**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Mandy Nouravi**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of Susan B. Anthony Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at Susan B. Anthony Elementary School elected to name **Mandy Nouravi** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Mandy Nouravi** on being recognized as **Susan B. Anthony Elementary School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

#### **B. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR KELLY PECK.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Kelly Peck**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Kelly Peck**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of Thomas Jefferson Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School elected to name **Kelly Peck** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Kelly Peck** on being recognized as **Thomas Jefferson Elementary School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **C. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR KIMBERLY MOSHER.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Kimberly Mosher**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Kimberly Mosher**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of Franklin D. Roosevelt Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at Franklin D. Roosevelt Elementary School elected to name **Kimberly Mosher** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Kimberly Mosher** on being recognized as **Franklin D. Roosevelt Elementary School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **D. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR SUSAN PHELPS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Susan Phelps**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Susan Phelps**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of George Washington Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at George Washington Elementary School elected to name **Susan Phelps** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Susan Phelps** on being recognized as **George Washington Elementary School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **E. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR LIZETTE FELIX.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Lizette Felix**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Lizette Felix**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of Veterans Middle School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at Veterans Middle School elected to name **Lizette Felix** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Lizette Felix** on being recognized as **Veterans Middle School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **F. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING TEACHER OF THE YEAR DANIEL FARINOLA.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of Teacher, **Daniel Farinola**; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-wide Teacher of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Daniel Farinola**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized his selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of North Arlington High School; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee at North Arlington High School elected to name **Daniel Farinola** as the **2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Daniel Farinola** on being recognized as **North Arlington High School's 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **G. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR MARIA FERNANDEZ.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools acknowledges the hard work and dedication of School Nurse, **Maria Fernandez**; and

**WHEREAS**, a district-wide Educational Services Professional of the Year selection committee reviewed the accomplishments of **Maria Fernandez**; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned selection committee recognized her selfless devotion to the students, parents, and staff of North Arlington Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the same selection committee elected to name **Maria Fernandez** as the **2023-2024 Educational Services Professional of the Year**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education honors and congratulates **Maria Fernandez** on being recognized as the district-wide **2023-2024 Educational Services Professional of the Year**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

### **H. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COOPERATIVE SPORTS PROGRAM BETWEEN KEARNY HIGH SCHOOL AND NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL RETROACTIVELY IN THE AREA OF ICE HOCKEY FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve a Cooperative Sports Program between Kearny High School and North Arlington High School retroactively in the area of Ice Hockey for the 2023-2024 school year.

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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved a Cooperative Sports Program between Kearny High School and North Arlington High School retroactively in the area of Ice Hockey for the 2023-2024 school year.

**I. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF A CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS TO THE INTERVENTION AND REFERRAL SERVICES (I&RS) COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of the following certificated staff member to the School Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Committee for the 2023-2024 school year.

Emily Reitter  
(Replacing Alexa Juncosa)

Roosevelt Elementary School

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of certificated staff member to the Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Committee for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mr. Smith. Discussion: Mr. Dorsett congratulated the teachers of the year and also congratulated the Cooperative Program for Ice Hockey for making the McMullen Cup. Mrs. Higgins congratulated the teachers and said that they represent the district. She said that it is a well-deserved honor to have. Mrs. Higgins said that we are grateful for all their hard work through the year and every day. Mrs. Gilgallon said that we understand that every year the demands keep getting more and more challenging and you still rise to it and are there for our kids and for that, we're very thankful. Mr. McDermott said that he has nothing else to say because they said it all. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Edward Smith, Chairman  
Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the North Arlington Board of Education that the Finance Resolutions as per the attached reports are approved (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D):
  - A. The budget transfers be approved for January 2024 and February 2024.
  - B. The Board approves the Board Secretary’s Report of January 2024 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20A 10(e)” and certify that as of January 2024 the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
  - C. The Board accepts the report of the Treasurer of School Monies January 2024.
  - D. The bills and claims for February 2024 as per the attached are approved. The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the bills and claims to include payroll account and agency account checks for January 30, 2024 (actual), February 15, 2024 (estimated), February 28, 2024 (estimated).

Date	Amount
January 30, 2024	\$ 999,186.60 (actual)
February 15, 2024	\$ 1,020,000.00 (estimated)
February 28, 2024	\$ 1,000,000.00 (estimated)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,019,186.60</b>

## 2. MOTION TO APPROVE MANUAL CHECKS

February 2024	Amount
Acct.#11-000-291-270-22-0507	
Ck. # G13570	Delta Dental Plan of NJ \$ 13,771.77
Ck. # G13569	Benecard 37,735.91
Ck. # G13568	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ 301,580.51
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$353,088.19</b>

## 3. MOTION TO APPROVE HAND CHECKS

January 2024	Description	Amount
Ck. #024587	Sunshine Clubhouse Childcare Center – January 2024 Tuition	\$49,947.00
Ck. #024731	Sara Megletti – Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$306.91

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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### **GRANTS**

#### **4A. MOTION TO APPROVE SUBMISSION TO NJSDA AND NJDOE EMERGENT AND CAPITAL MAINTENANCE NEEDS AND ACCEPT OF CAPITAL MAINTENANCE FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the NJ State FY2024 budget includes a direct appropriation of \$75 million to the NJ Schools Development Authority (SDA) to provide funding for projects related to emergent and capital maintenance needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Arlington School District has been allotted funding of **\$48,679.00** to be used for an emergent or capital maintenance project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools is recommending that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the submission to the NJSDA and NJDOE Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs for the funds listed above.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the submission to the NJSDA and NJDOE Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs for the funds listed above and plans to upgrade existing exterior doors throughout the district with the funds being provided.

#### **B. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT – NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CUPOLA AND PARTIAL ROOF REPLACEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, based on prior New Jersey Department of Education approvals, by letter dated February 2, 2024, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (“NJSDA”) has offered an Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Section 15 Grant (“the Grant”) to the North Arlington Board of Education (“the Board”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant is for certain funding of a School Facilities Project at the North Arlington High School, which includes cupola and partial roof replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received all necessary New Jersey Department of Education (“DOE”) approvals, including approval by letter dated December 3, 2023 of the “Final Eligible Cost” (“FEC Letter”) for the School Facilities Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the FEC Letter establishes a maximum dollar amount of eligible costs, meaning that if the local share of the costs of the School Facilities Project is less than the dollar amount stated in the DOE’s FEC Letter or if the total cost to complete said Project is less than the total amount in the FEC Letter, the Grant amount shall be decreased proportionally; and

**WHEREAS**, if there are additional costs for the School Facilities Project resulting in an amount greater than the total FEC amount, said additional costs will be funded through the Board’s local share of the cost for said project; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to receive NJSDA funding, the Board must authorize the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board is hereby authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for SDA Project # 3600-050-23-G5OD Grant # G5-6771, for NJSDA funding of its School Facilities Project at the North Arlington High School.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby delegates the Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project.

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### **C. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT – ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ROOF REPLACEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, based on prior New Jersey Department of Education approvals, by letter dated February 2, 2024, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (“NJSDA”) has offered an Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Section 15 Grant (“the Grant”) to the North Arlington Board of Education (“the Board”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant is for certain funding of a School Facilities Project at Roosevelt Elementary School, which includes a roof replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received all necessary New Jersey Department of Education (“DOE”) approvals, including approval by letter dated December 3, 2023 of the “Final Eligible Cost” (“FEC Letter”) for the School Facilities Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the FEC Letter establishes a maximum dollar amount of eligible costs, meaning that if the local share of the costs of the School Facilities Project is less than the dollar amount stated in the DOE’s FEC Letter or if the total cost to complete said Project is less than the total amount in the FEC Letter, the Grant amount shall be decreased proportionally; and

**WHEREAS**, if there are additional costs for the School Facilities Project resulting in an amount greater than the total FEC amount, said additional costs will be funded through the Board’s local share of the cost for said project; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to receive NJSDA funding, the Board must authorize the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board is hereby authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for SDA Project # 3600-070-23-G5OE Grant # G5-6772, for NJSDA funding of its School Facilities Project at the Roosevelt Elementary School.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby delegates the Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project.

### **D. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT – WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY HVAC SYSTEM UPGRADES**

**WHEREAS**, based on prior New Jersey Department of Education approvals, by letter dated February 2, 2024, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (“NJSDA”) has offered an Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Section 15 Grant (“the Grant”) to the North Arlington Board of Education (“the Board”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant is for certain funding of a School Facilities Project at the Washington Elementary School, which includes HVAC upgrades; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received all necessary New Jersey Department of Education (“DOE”) approvals, including approval by letter dated December 3, 2023 of the “Final Eligible Cost” (“FEC Letter”) for the School Facilities Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the FEC Letter establishes a maximum dollar amount of eligible costs, meaning that if the local share of the costs of the School Facilities Project is less than the dollar amount stated in the DOE’s FEC Letter or if the total cost to complete said Project is less than the total amount in the FEC Letter, the Grant amount shall be decreased proportionally; and

**WHEREAS**, if there are additional costs for the School Facilities Project resulting in an amount greater than the total FEC amount, said additional costs will be funded through the Board’s local share of the cost for said project; and

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**WHEREAS**, in order to receive NJSDA funding, the Board must authorize the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board is hereby authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for SDA Project # 3600-080-23-G5OF Grant # G5-6773, for NJSDA funding of its School Facilities Project at the Washington Elementary School.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby delegates the Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project.

**E. MOTION TO APPROVE A TRANSFER OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE THREE PROJECTS THAT RECEIVED ROD GRANT APPROVAL AT NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS**, the North Arlington Board of Education has established a Capital Reserve Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Arlington Board of Education has been offered construction grants through the State of New Jersey Regular Operating District (R.O.D.) Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Arlington Board of Education desires to fund the following R.O.D. Grant Projects as follows:

- North Arlington High School School SDA Project # 3600-050-23-G5OD, Grant # G5-6771  
..... \$ 227,500.00
- Roosevelt Elementary School SDA Project # 3600-070-23-G5OE, Grant G5-6772  
..... \$ 1,136,200.00
- Washington Elementary School SDA Project # 3600-080-23-G5OF, Grant G5-6773  
..... \$ 1,625,000.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education transfer a total dollar amount of **\$2,988,700.00** from its Capital Reserve Fund to the Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of meeting the District's requirement for funding of the approved capital project cost as delineated in the State of New Jersey's letter of determination stating the Final Eligible Costs for each project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby delegates the Authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. Discussion: Mr. McDermott said that grants allow us to get much needed repairs done. He stated that the amount we get back is 40% of about \$3 million, which he said benefits the district greatly. He thanked the School Business Administrator, Mrs. Dembowski, for all she has done in getting us the ROD grants. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.



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**CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS**

**5. MOTION TO APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS/TRANSPORTATION**

DESCRIPTION	COST
<b>South Bergen Jointure Commission</b> 2023-2024 Tuition Contract Student's Name is on File in the Board Office.	\$72,420.00
<b>South Bergen Jointure Commission</b> Contracted Services Agreement - 2024-2025 School Year OT, PT, Evaluations, Transportation	Multiple Costs
<b>The Uncommon Thread (TUT)</b> BCBA In-District Support ESY - \$100/hr./4.5 hrs./18 days Beh. In-District Support ESY - \$75/hr./4.5 hrs./18 days BCBA In-District Support 24/24 School Year - \$100/hr./6.5 hrs./5 days/week/40 weeks Beh. In-District Support 24/25 School Year - \$75/hr./6.5 hrs./5 days/week/40 weeks TBT In-District Support 24/25 School Year - \$60/hr./6.5 hrs./5 days/week/40 weeks TBT In-District Support 24/25 School Year - \$60/hr./6.5 hrs./5days/week/40 weeks	Multiple Costs

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

**FACILITIES**

**6. MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES**

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve facility applications 2306-0014 to 2402-0010.

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

**CONTRACTS, ADDENDA, BIDS, AND PROPOSALS**

**7A. MOTION TO APPROVE A NEGATIVE CHANGE ORDER FROM NORTHEASTERN INTERIOR SERVICES, LLC**

**WHEREAS**, a negative change order was received from Northeastern Interior Services, LLC for the following services at North Arlington High School:

Credit for markerboards and substitute refrigerator.

Description	Cost
Original Contract Sum (Science Lab Renovations)	\$2,060,000.00
Net change by previously authorized change orders	-19,600.00
Contract sum prior to this change order	2,040,400.00
Contract Sum will be decreased by this change order	-5,300.00
<b>New Contract Sum</b>	<b>\$2,035,100.00</b>

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves this negative change order in the amount of **\$5,300.00**; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the negative change order from **Northeastern Interior Services, LLC** for the Science Lab Renovations at North Arlington High School.

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**B. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM KROLL, LLC TO PROVIDE THE NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH UPDATED FIXED ASSET ACCOUNTING RECORDS FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING**

**WHEREAS**, a proposal was received from **Kroll, LLC** to provide the North Arlington Board of Education updated fixed asset accounting records for internal accounting control and financial reporting for the 2023-2024 fiscal year as follows:

Description	Fee
Inventory, reconcile, and report historical cost of NABOE’s identified fixed assets.	\$8,800.00

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the proposal from **Kroll, LLC** to provide the North Arlington Board of Education updated fixed asset accounting records for financial reporting for the 2023-2024 fiscal year in the amount of \$8,800.00.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the proposal from **Kroll, LLC** to provide the North Arlington Board of Education with updated fixed asset accounting records for internal accounting control and financial reporting for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

**C. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPIEZLE ARCHITECTURAL GROUP, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH AN APPROVED ROD GRANT FOR THE HVAC UPGRADES AT WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the professional services of Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. associated with an approved ROD Grant for the HVAC Upgrades at Washington Elementary School as follows:

Project	Estimated Professional Fee	Estimated Cost of Project
Architectural Services – design, documentation, bidding and support	\$5,000.00	\$1,625,000.00
Construction Administration and Close Out Fees	\$9,500.00	
Electronic Bidding Fee	\$150.00	

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education approves submission of the HVAC upgrades at Washington Elementary School to the New Jersey Department of Education, DOE State Project #3600-080-23-R501, SDA Project #3600-080-23-G5OF, for review and Department approval of a “school facilities project” with Rod Grant state funding and amendment of the long-range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board also authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that funding for HVAC upgrades has been submitted for a Regular Operating District (ROD) Grant to the New Jersey Department of Education and has been approved at a 40% reimbursement to the district totaling \$650,000.00

**D. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPIEZLE ARCHITECTURAL GROUP, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH AN APPROVED ROD GRANT FOR ROOFING REPLACEMENT AT ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the professional services of Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. associated with an approved ROD Grant for Roofing Replacement at Roosevelt Elementary School as follows:

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Project	Estimated Professional Fee	Estimated Cost of Project
Architectural Services – design, documentation, bidding and support	\$63,000.00	\$1,136,200.00
Construction Administration and Close Out Fees	\$14,000.00	
Electronic Bidding Fee	\$150.00	

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education approves submission of the roofing replacement at Roosevelt Elementary School to the New Jersey Department of Education, DOE State Project #3600-070-23-R502, SDA Project #3600-050-23-G5OE, for review and Department approval of a “school facilities project” with Rod Grant state funding and amendment of the long-range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board also authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that funding for roofing replacement has been submitted for a Regular Operating District (ROD) Grant to the New Jersey Department of Education and has been approved at a 40% reimbursement to the district totaling \$454,480.00.

**E. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPIEZLE ARCHITECTURAL GROUP, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH CUPOLA AND ROOFING REPAIRS AT NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the professional services of Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. associated with cupola and roofing repairs at North Arlington High School as follows:

Project	Estimated Professional Fee	Estimated Cost of Project
Architectural Services – design, documentation, bidding and support	\$14,000.00	\$227,500.00
Construction Administration and Close Out Fees	\$2,600.00	
Electronic Bidding Fee	\$150.00	

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education approves submission of the cupola and roofing repairs at North Arlington High School to the New Jersey Department of Education, DOE State Project #3600-050-22-R502, SDA Project #3600-050-23-G5OD, for review and Department approval of a “school facilities project” with Rod Grant state funding and amendment of the long-range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board also authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that funding for roofing replacement has been submitted for a Regular Operating District (ROD) Grant to the New Jersey Department of Education and has been approved at a 40% reimbursement to the district totaling \$91,000.00.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

The Superintendent invited the principals up individually to present the Teacher of the Year awards as well as the Educational Services Professional of the Year award. He invited everyone to go to the cafeteria to take photos.

The Superintendent called a student up from the audience to announce that tomorrow would be a snow day.

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## **LIAISON TO INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS**

Anthony School	Edward Smith and Michele Higgins
Jefferson School	Robert Dorsett and Heather Gilgallon
Roosevelt School	George McDermott and Edward Smith
Washington School	Heather Gilgallon and Michele Higgins
Veterans Middle School	George McDermott, Michele Higgins, and Edward Smith
High School	George McDermott, Robert Dorsett, and Heather Gilgallon

## **INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM**

Michele Higgins, Chairman  
Heather Gilgallon, Co-Chairman

## **OPERATIONS**

George McDermott, Chairman  
Heather Gilgallon and Michele Higgins, Co-Chairman

## **GOVERNANCE**

Michele Higgins, Chairman  
Edward Smith, Co-Chairman

## **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

Edward Smith, Chairman  
Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

## **STUDENT AND COMMUNITY**

Robert Dorsett, Chairman  
Edward Smith, Co-Chairman

## **PERSONNEL**

George McDermott, Chairman  
Heather Gilgallon, Co-Chairman

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, this Public Meeting of February 12, 2024 adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.